CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) Method for processing multimedia data ~~including~~ comprising the steps of

providing first metadata, the first metadata including first metadata essence data representing information, which is directly perceptible by a user, and/or metadata link data which directly or indirectly ~~pointing~~ points to further essence data ~~and~~,

~~providing a memory for storing essence data,~~

~~characterized by~~

~~converting~~ transferring said first metadata essence data and/or said further essence data being directly or indirectly pointed at by said metadata link data into new essence data, and

storing and providing said new essence data in ~~said~~ a memory.

2. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1, ~~wherein the step of converting includes a~~ further compring the step of editing said first metadata essence data and/or said further essence data under the control of a graphical user interface.

3 (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 1, wherein said further essence data ~~being~~ is included in second metadata as second metadata essence data.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) Method according to claim 1, wherein said first and/or second metadata essence data include text, picture, audio and/or video information.

6. (Original) Method according to claim 1, further including the step of adding third essence data to said new essence data.

7. (Currently Amended) Device for processing multimedia data ~~including~~ comprising

~~first-storing~~ means for providing first metadata, the first metadata including first metadata essence data representing information~~,~~ which is directly perceptible by a user~~,~~ and/or metadata link data which directly or indirectly ~~pointing~~ points to further essence data ~~and~~ ,

~~second-storing meants for storing essence data~~

~~characterized by~~

~~converting means for converting said first metadata essence data and/or said further essence data being directly or indirectly pointed at by said metadata link data into new essence data, wherein said converting means is interconnected between said first storing means and said second storing means so that converted essence data are storable in said seond storing means~~

means for transferring said first metadata essence data and.or said further essence data being directly or indirectly pointed at by said metadata link data into new essence data, and

storage means for storing said new essence data.

8. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 7, further comprising

wherein said converting means ~~includes a graphical user-interface~~ for editing said new essence data <u>and/or said further essence data under the control of a graphical user interface</u>.

9. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 7, wherein said further essence data ~~being~~ <u>is</u> included in second meta data as second metadata essence data.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Original) Device according to claim 7, wherein said first and/or second metadata essence data include text, picture, audio and/or video information.

12. (New) Method according to claim 3, further comprising the step of deleting said second metadata.

13. (New) Device according to claim 9, further comprising means for deleting said second metadata.

14. (New) Device according to claim 7, further including means for adding third essence data to said new essence data.